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Dear Participants of AsIPA General Assembly VI

Greetings of peace! Here is useful information. Kindly take a closer look to this information. The guideline for the National/Diocesan Report for AsIPA General Assembly VI is attached.

It would be helpful for you to print out previous information fliers and keep some useful information. The date of the first one is on February 2, 2012 and the second one is on June 7, 2012.

We will provide some more details for you. Thank you for your collaboration and participation to AsIPA GA VI.

We would like to invite you to continue to pray for a fruitful assembly and peace and justice of Asia.

With cordial best regards,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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No. 2

AsIPA GENENRAL ASSEMBLY VI
Chintana Centre, Nainamadama, Sri Lanka,
October 18 -24, 2012

Application Form & Personal Request Form

- By now all of you requiring visa should have your ‘**Application Form**’ sent to AsIPA desk (asipa.fabc@gmail.com).
- Your ‘**Personal Request Form**’ should be sent to **the local organizers** (asipaga6@gmail.com) by **July 25th**.

Country or Diocese Report on SCCs/BECs for the AsIPA GA VI

- Please prepare about 3-page (A4 size paper) written report on SCCs/BECs. For your report please refer to its guideline attached. **This report should be sent to the local organizing committee** (asipaga6@gmail.com) by **September 15th, 2012**.

Sending your flight details

- Please send your flight details to **the local organizers** (asipaga6@gmail.com) by **September 15th**.

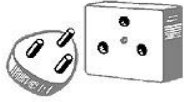
Insurance / Health & Travel

- Please be informed that you are well advised to be covered by a travel insurance policy which also covers hospitalization and medical expenses. Any major expenses will be beyond the capacity of the organizers to bear.

What to bring

- BIBLE – Old and New Testament in English (in your own language is also fine)
- Weather and Clothes: Nainamadama is generally warm (It’s around 25~30 degrees Celsius.) Clothes should be modest. Mosquito repellent if you are sensitive.
- Internet access: Is available at Chinthana Centre, Nainamadama and will be Wi-Fi enabled. Two or three public computers will be available at the centre.
- Towels are provided for use in your rooms.
- Toiletries: A cake of soap is provided in your rooms. Please bring all your other necessities. Toiletries will also be available for sale at the Grocery Shop at the Chinthana Centre.
- National costumes and cultural items for cultural night.
- One national flag of each country to take in Sri Lanka National SCCs Rally
- Some souvenirs to be shared with the families in that particular SCC you visit.

- Power adapters: Please try to bring your own power adapters. Three pin plug points are available in Sri Lanka. (Usually 220V)



Currency Exchange

- The Centre will have Banking facilities. The main transaction currency will be US Dollars and Euros.

Accommodation: Rooms / Meals

- Participants will be accommodated at the Chinthana Centre and Houses around the centre. Most of the rooms at the Chinthana Centre will have 2 or 4 beds rooms. The rooms have toilets & bathrooms attached. Houses will have single rooms with bathroom attached
- Meals will be at the Chinthana Centre.

Laundry

- The Centre provides regular laundry facilities for reasonable charges. Each one will be responsible for paying your own laundry charges.

Registration

- Registration of participants at the Chinthana Centre including collection of registration fees will be on October 18th (Thur.) from 10:00 to 15:00.
- Tiered registration fee (US\$ 320 or US\$ 200 or US\$ 50 per participant) is suggested according to your financial situation.
- Please also note that reimbursement of airfares and registration fee are only by previous agreement with the organizers – AsIPA desk.

Contributions Welcome

- Please take note that the cost of board and lodge for the 7 days comes to US\$ 320 and that does not include the materials provided and other facilities and resource persons. The registration fee of US\$ 320 is a good indication of the contribution you can make for this assembly. Our budget is fully stretched as we have requests for subsidies. AsIPA Desk would ask all of you to look carefully at what contribution you can make towards our costs.

Eucharistic Celebrations

- October 18th at 16:00 at Nainamadama Church together with the Opening Ceremony.
- October 19th – 23rd Daily Eucharist at 18:30 organized by countries or regions. Please bring something to be offered during the offertory procession and subsequently shared.
- Teams in charge of the Eucharistic celebrations and daily theme and readings for the Eucharist Celebration will be informed and given in due course.

- Kindly send one or two hymns in your language to be sung during the Eucharist and other prayers services **before the end of July to the local organizers (asipaga6@gmail.com)**. Don't forget to include the fonts. Please send a PDF copy too.

The Opening Ceremony and Orientation Session on October 18th (Thur.)

- 10:00 - 15:00 Arrival & Registration
- 16:00 - 17:30 Opening Mass
- 17:30 - 18:30 Welcoming with Refreshment
- 18:30 - 19:00 Cultural Procession Dance
- 19:00 - 20:00 Dinner
- 20:00 - 21:30 Bible Enthronement & Introduction of AsIPA GA VI

Exposure

- We depart to parishes for exposure on October 21st (Sun.). We visit 25 parishes, 8 persons in each group. A total of 100 groups will be visited, in the Dioceses of Chilaw (10 parishes), Kurunegala (10 parishes) and Colombo (5 parishes).
- Eucharistic Celebration will also be in the parishes you visit.
- Breakfast will be given in packets. Lunch and Dinner will be at the respective parishes.
- Kindly bring few souvenirs to be shared with the families in that particular SCC you visit.

Cultural Night

- We will have cultural night on October 23rd (Tue.) evening. Please each country prepares for a short cultural show (5-10 min.). Please bring your cultural items and national costumes too for cultural night.

The National SCCs Rally

- We will join Sri Lanka National SCCs Rally on October 24th (Wed.) including closing mass of AsIPA GA VI at Basilica of Our Lady of Lanka Tewatte, Ragama. Kindly bring one National flag to take in Rally.